

*1955 Report
Of Progress*



BRADFORD
NEW HAMPSHIRE

ANNUAL REPORT OF PROGRESS

OF THE

TOWN OF BRADFORD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES

Together with the Reports of the

TOWN OFFICERS

for the

Year Ending December 31, 1955

and the

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

for the

Year Ending June 30, 1955

Cover picture

Bement Bridge - to Bradford Center

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Paul N. Gove

Town Clerk

Elizabeth A. Cilley

Deputy Town Clerk

Lillian S. Frey

Town Treasurer

Lillian S. Frey

Selectmen

Bernard M. Woods, '56

Dana C. Sanborn '57

Reuben S. Moore '58

Police Officers

Lester A. Witham, *Chief*

S. Jay George

Frank Brown

Howard G. Tilton

Arthur Valley

Stanley Heath

Varel Peaslee, *Police and Dog Officer*

Supervisors of Check List

Carroll Butman

Harry Hanson

Raymond Peaslee

Ballot Clerks

Mildred H. Gunscheon, *Rep.*

Leon F. Perkins, *Dem.*

Leon E. Varnum, *Rep.*

Vernon F. Hall, *Dem.*

Tax Collector

Carroll Butman

Road Agent

Forrest D. Craigie

Fire Department

Nelson C. Spaulding, *Chief*
 Carroll Butman, *Ass't. Chief*

Lester F. Hall, *Treasurer* Beachley Wolfe, *Clerk*

Board of Fire Wards

Nelson C. Spaulding

Edwin E. Westerberg Harlan G. Cummings

Trustees of Funds

Lora B. Cressy '56

Thomas J. Moore, Jr. '57 Vivian A. Messer '58

Trustees of the Library

Louise Wolfe '56

Harriett A. Milner '57 Elizabeth M. Larivee '58

Auditors

Leon F. Perkins Beachley Wolfe

Health Officer

Arthur F. Wright, M. D.

Forest Fire Warden

Nelson C. Spaulding

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber

Walter A. Heselton

Librarian

Effie M. Craigie

Janitor of Town Hall

Harmon T. Douglass

Overseer of the Poor

Lester A. Witham

Budget Committee

C. Albert Bischoff '56 Ralph C. Messer '56

Robert A. Moore '56 Daniel V. Cunningham '57

Herbert C. Remick '57 Leon F. Perkins '58

Walter A. Heselton '58

Members of the Planning Board

Dana C. Sanborn, *Selectman*

Leon E. Varnum '56 Robert A. Messer '56

Mildred H. Gunscheon '57 Edwin E. Westerberg '57

Robert A. Moore '58 Beachley Wolfe '58

SELECTMEN'S NARRATIVE

The Selectmen are frequently asked a variety of questions regarding the origin and establishment of the town of Bradford. It is the object of this narrative to attempt to answer at least some of the questions.

One of the primary concerns of the New England colonies, and of Massachusetts in particular, was protection from the Indians. For this reason, in 1735 and 1736, the General Court of Massachusetts granted a double line of towns extending from Penacook (now Concord) on the Merrimack, to Charlestown, (which was No. 4 in the western line of towns) on the Connecticut. The townships thus granted were No. 1, including Warner; No. 2, including Bradford; No. 3, including the northerly part of Washington and part of Lempster; No. 4, including the remaining land between No. 3 and Charlestown; No. 5, including Hopkington as it was then called; No. 6, including Henniker; No. 7, including Hillsborough; and No. 8, including part of Washington and part of Stoddard. This area was later regranted by the Masonian Proprietors.

In 1770 Deacon William Presbury, then of Henniker, cleared a few acres of land and built a log cabin, into which he moved with his family the following winter. In time the Presburys were joined by other pioneers, some of them from Bradford, Mass., who wished to name the new settlement after their old home, calling it New Bradford.

When, in 1787, this town was incorporated by an act of the General Court, then meeting in Charlestown, N.H., it included not only New Bradford, but also a strip of land not included in any survey and known as "Washington Gore" and a part of Washington which the citizens of that town voted to surrender. The Charter was signed September 27, just ten days after the adoption of the federal constitution at Philadelphia. Bradford became a part of Hillsborough County, and remained so until the establishment of Merrimack County in 1823. In 1796 a portion of Fishersfield (now Newbury) was annexed, which included the most of what is now Bradford Village as well as what is known as Hogg Hill and Bradford Plains. In 1859 another portion of Newbury was annexed, thus allowing the residence now owned and occupied by the Edwin H. Dodge family to be wholly within the town of Bradford.

The law requires that town lines shall be "perambulated" by the selectmen of adjoining towns every seven years. The date for such perambulation is set, and the notice issued, by the selectmen of the older town. The bounds are traced and the markers identified and recorded. Originally, most of the markers were trees. Nowadays, all the markers are of stone -- either natural boulders or rough-cut posts. Each has chiseled on it the letters "TL" (town line), the initials of the bordering towns, and the dates of perambulations. The southwest corner of this town helps to form the junction of three towns and three counties: the towns of Bradford, Washington and Hillsboro, and Merrimack, Sullivan and Hillsboro Counties.

In 1796 the first meeting house was built at Bradford Center. It stood between the present Congregational Church and the road, and nearer to the cemetery. Close by were the first school-house, the pound, the burial yard, and the cannon house. Also at the Center were a store, post office, tavern, shoe shop, blacksmith shop, and tannery. Thus Bradford Center was both the geographic center and the original business center of the town. There was a small village at each end of Main Street known as the Corner and Mill Villages respectively. The advent of the railroad in 1850 gradually drew these two villages together and developed this part of town at the expense of the Center. In 1863 the meeting house was taken down and rebuilt as the present Town Hall.

Sometime in the 1850's the name of Bradford Pond was changed to Lake Massasecum in memory of Chief Massasecum who once lived near its shores. The speech of dedication was delivered by Gen. Stephen Hoyt, who had married a daughter of Deacon Presbury.

THE HILLS OF SOUTH BRADFORD

by Dr. Weston

(A former resident of South Bradford)

The Hills of South Bradford, how nobly they rise,
Unequalled in grandeur, unrivalled in size,
On the west noble Sunapee raises his brow
And calmly looks down on the valleys below.

Hence onward outstretching to Henniker line,
They rear their proud summits and splendidly shine
As they catch the first gleam of the sun's early ray,
Or throw back his light at the close of the day.

Across these broad highlands 'tis pleasant to roam,
Where the cattle and sheep find shelter and home;
In groves which now shelter the partridge and hare,
Where once prowled the wildcat and ravaged the bear

While ages successive of white men and red
Have risen and flourished and sunk to the dead;
Everlasting these hills! here they stand and have stood
On their granite foundations unchanged since the flood.

And still as the torrent of ages rolls on,
When all now alive, to oblivion have gone,
These hills in their glory yet here will remain.
And send down their streams to enliven the plain.

And when the last trumpet its clangor shall sound,
And flames all unearthly the globe shall surround;
Oh, then it must happen, but never before,
That the hills of South Bradford, shall flourish no more.

We are proud to announce that the 1954 report of the town of Bradford was awarded first place in Class II (500-1,000 population). We received a letter from the Department of Government of the University of New Hampshire, congratulating us for our success "at a time when the cities and towns of New Hampshire are showing an increased awareness of the need for high standards of public reporting." As a first place winner in the state, we were again entitled to compete in the New England Municipal Reports Competition. In January we received a letter from the New England Council advising us that our report had received commendation in the eleventh annual competition, to quote: "While a commendation is only a second place in the competition, I want you to know that the scoring was sufficiently close so that your report was not far behind the community that received the first place certificate of outstanding merit in your population group". This is the second year that Bradford has placed first in the state contest, and in 1953 we placed third in the New England Competition. This makes the seventh consecutive year that Bradford has received one of the three top places in the state contest.

1955 PLANNING BOARD REPORT

At the end of another year your Planning Board submits its annual report.

The annual letter to summer residents containing a summary of receipts and expenditures of the Town was not sent this past year as all Taxpayers received a Town Report.

The Town voted at last year's Town Meeting to have the Planning Board study the problems of the Town Hall --- water, toilets, etc. The Board considered the possibilities of water and toilets but concluded it would be a very expensive proposition and not feasible at this time. If modern toilets were installed it would necessitate a permanent water supply. Water would mean constant heat and a full time janitor. If the present toilets were cared for yearly it is believed they would not cause the unpleasant conditions of the past years.

The Board was instructed to study and report to the Budget Committee in 1956 the advantages of having a circular or folder advertising the scenic and recreational features of our Town. The Board concluded that the cost of such folders would be returned many times in greater business activity in the Town and that everyone would benefit from them.

The following constitutes recommendations with respect to the problems referred to it at the 1955 Town Meeting. These have been forwarded to the Selectmen and we anticipate that they may be included in the Warrant:

(1.) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the use of the Planning Board to cover any expense in making surveys or studies of various town problems.

(2.) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to make and print a folder showing the scenic and recreational features of our Town.

(3.) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be expended on the Town Hall; to sand the floors, to make the entrances to the downstairs toilets more accessible and attractive with any amount left over to be used for the purchase of additional chairs or other repairs needed in the Town Hall.

We would like to include in this report a "thank you" to Stanley M. Brown for his valuable services during the years that he served on this Board.

In conclusion your Planning Board would welcome suggestions from town officers or townspeople, both resident and non-resident of any problems they would like us to consider.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. MOORE, *Chairman*

LEON E. VARNUM, *Vice-Chairman*

DANA C. SANBORN, *Selectman*

ROBERT MESSER

EDWIN E. WESTERBERG

BEACHLEY WOLFE

MILDRED GUNSCHEON, *Secretary*

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bradford in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Bradford on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

(The raising of money and other articles in the Warrant to be taken up at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon.)

3. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$678.83 for Town Road Aid. The State will furnish the sum of \$4,525.52.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35.00 for the observance of Memorial Day.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Pine Blister Rust. *(Required by Law)*

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 for Hospitals; Concord Hospital to receive the sum of \$150.00, and the New London Hospital to get \$200.00.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the American Red Cross. (*Permitted by Law*)
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for care of dump. (Caretaker, etc.)
10. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$500.00 from the Anna P. Bailey estate, the interest therefrom to be used for the perpetual care of the cemetery lots of Willis N. Bailey and Jacob C. Bailey in Pleasant Hill Cemetery.
11. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$90.00 from the Col. S. J. Sutherland estate, the interest therefrom to be used for the perpetual care of his cemetery lot in Sunny Plain.
12. To see if the Town will vote to accept sixty (60) shares of Home Insurance Company of New York from the estate of Anne Smythe Flanders, the income therefrom to be used to care for the cemetery lots in Sunny Plains, Pleasant Hill and Center Road, if and when these shares become available.
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the use of the Planning Board to cover any expense in making surveys or studies of various town problems.
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to make and print a folder showing the scenic and recreational features of our Town.

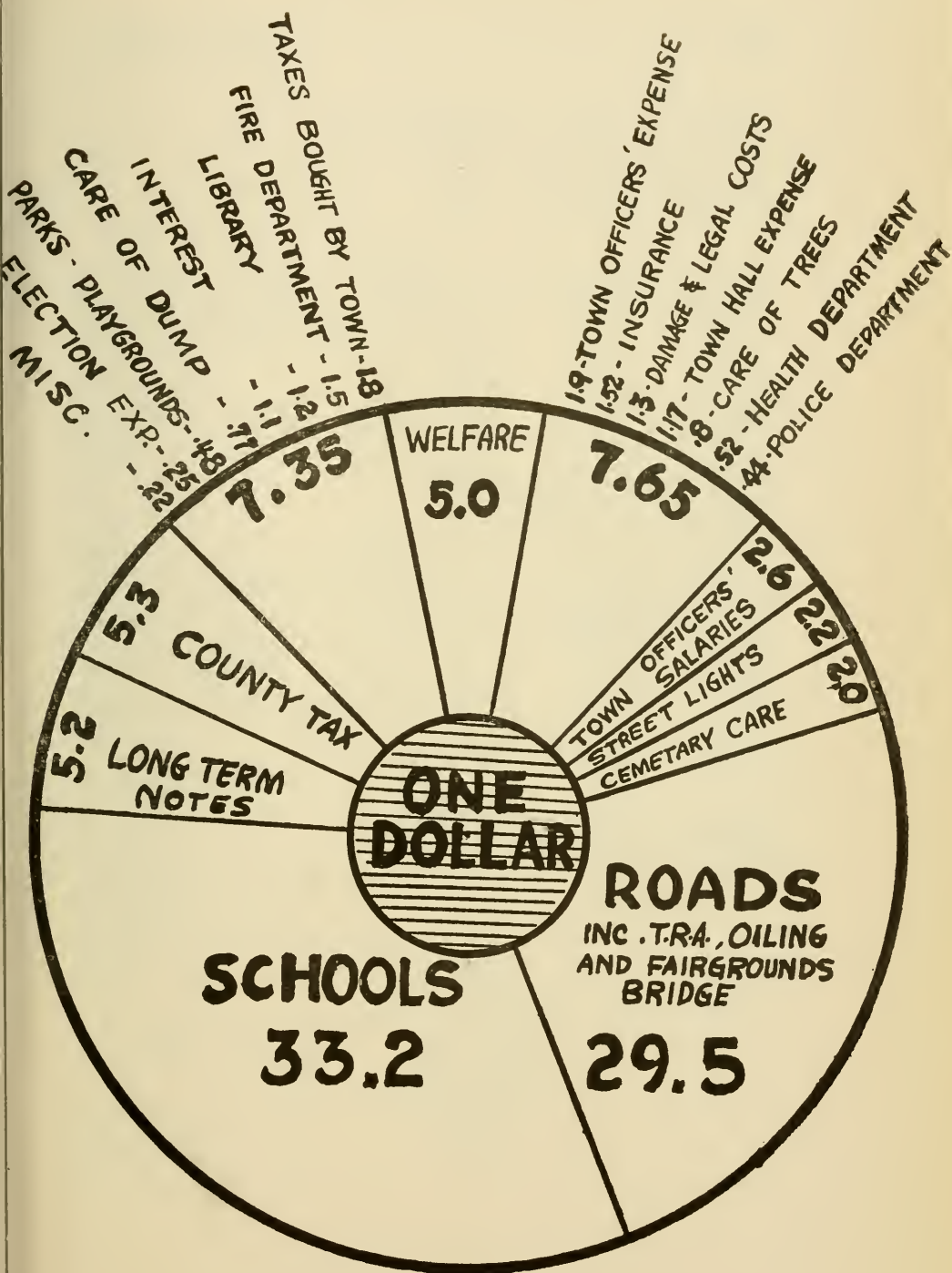
15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be expended on the Town Hall; to sand the floors, to make the entrances to the downstairs toilets more accessible and attractive with any amount left over to be used for the purchase of additional chairs or other repairs needed in the Town Hall.
16. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Non Partisan Ballot, rescinding the vote of the Town in 1932 adopting the Australian Ballot for Town Meeting. (*Chapter 22, Session 1943*)
17. To hear reports of committees and act thereon.
18. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.
19. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officers.
20. To choose a delegate to the Constitutional Convention.

Given under our hands and seal, this 27th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

BERNARD M. WOODS	<i>Selectmen</i>
DANA C. SANBORN	<i>of</i>
REUBEN S. MOORE	<i>Bradford, N. H.</i>

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

BERNARD M. WOODS	<i>Selectmen</i>
DANA C. SANBORN	<i>of</i>
REUBEN S. MOORE	<i>Bradford, N. H.</i>



B U D G E T

Sources of Revenue	Est. Revenue Previous Year 1955	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1955	Est. Revenue Ensuing Year 1956
Interest and Dividend Tax	\$2,500.00	\$2,648.00	\$2,500.00
Railroad Tax	75.00	86.74	75.00
Savings Bank Tax	175.00	257.64	200.00
Reimbursement a/c State Forest lands	10.00	5.85	5.00
Reimbursement a/c exemption growing Wood and Timber	1,500.00		2,000.00
Dog Licenses	175.00	206.25	175.00
Rent of Town Hall	100.00	85.00	75.00
Interest received on Taxes	200.00	319.26	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,000.00	2,520.51	2,200.00
Sale of Town Property		135.00	
Poll Taxes	500.00	488.00	500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	12.00	12.00	12.00
Total Revenue from all Sources except Property Taxes	\$7,247.00	\$6,764.25	\$7,942.00
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes (exclusive of County and School Taxes)			33,111.83
Total Revenues			\$41,053.83

Daniel V. Cunningham
Herbert C. Remick
Walter A. Heselton
Ralph C. Messer
Leon F. Perkins
Robert A. Moore
Dana C. Sanborn

} Budget Committee

Purpose of Expenditures	Appros. Previous Year 1955	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1955	Appros. Recom. by Budget Com. Year 1956
Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,100.00	\$2,040.91	\$2,100.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,500.00	1,495.56	1,500.00
Election and Registration Expenses	200.00	170.06	500.00
Expenses Town Hall	1,000.00	897.43	1,000.00
Police Department	150.00	342.38	150.00
Fire Department	1,350.00	1,164.27	1,150.00
Pine Blister Rust Control	400.00	400.00	400.00
Spraying Shade Trees	200.00	245.00	
Insurance	1,200.00	1,181.17	1,200.00
Health Department	400.00	400.00	400.00
Vital Statistics	25.00	17.60	25.00
Care Town Dump	600.00	600.00	600.00
Highway Maintenance (Summer)	5,000.00	5,750.00	5,000.00
Highway Maintenance (Winter)	4,500.00	5,100.00	4,500.00
Street Lighting	1,750.00	1,717.96	1,750.00
General Expenses Highway Dept.	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Town Road Aid (TRA)	678.96	1,198.90	678.83
Repairs on Bridges	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00
Libraries	972.00	972.00	1,000.00
Town Poor	1,200.00	716.77	1,200.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	2,995.60	3,000.00
Memorial Day	35.00		
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00	374.70	100.00
Cemeteries	900.00	1,005.08	900.00
Social Security	300.00	146.31	300.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	300.00	443.87	300.00
Interest on Long Term Notes	430.60	415.70	300.00
Oiling Town Roads	4,000.00	4,246.00	4,500.00
New Bridge			1,500.00
Long Term Notes	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
	\$38,791.56	\$41,537.27	\$41,053.83

Appropriations Submitted Without Recommendation of Budget Committee

Redecoration of Town Hall	\$500.00
Advertising Town	200.00
Planning Board Expenses	50.00

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Land and Buildings	\$931, 020 .00
Electric Plants	64, 000 .00
Horses (16)	720 .00
Neatstock (17)	870 .00
Cows (120)	8, 650 .00
Fowls (1,998)	1, 948 .00
Vehicles (1)	300 .00
Portable Mills (2)	1, 400 .00
Wood and Lumber	10, 186 .50
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	2, 555 .00
Stock in Trade	33, 427 .00
Mills and Machinery (3)	20, 700 .00
Total Valuation	<hr/> \$1, 075, 776 .50
<i>Less Soldiers' Exemptions</i>	39, 030 .00
Valuation for Taxation	<hr/> \$1, 036, 746 .50

Tax Rate - \$5.85 per hundred

FINANCIAL REPORT

of the

TOWN OF BRADFORD

in

MERRIMACK COUNTY

for the

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1955

C E R T I F I C A T E

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Bernard M. Woods }
Dana C. Sanborn } *Selectmen*
Reuben S. Moore }

Lillian S. Frey, *Treasurer*

January 31, 1956

B A L A N C E

Assets

CASH:

In hands of Treasurer	\$3, 223. 69
In hands of officials:	
Road Agent	5. 41
Library Trustees	225. 23

ACCOUNTS DUE TO THE TOWN:

Due from State:	
Bounties	101. 50
Exemption of growing wood and timber	2, 559. 78
Other Bills Due Town	
2 Cemetery plots at Sunny Plains	50. 00

UNREDEEMED TAXES(*from tax sale on account of*)

Levy of 1954	940. 40
Levy of 1953	165. 87
Previous Years	193. 59

UNCOLLECTED TAXES:

Levy of 1955	10, 843. 18
Levy of 1954	324. 34
Levy of 1953	54. 12
State Head Taxes(<i>Levy of 1955</i>)	390. 00
State Head Taxes(<i>Previous Years</i>)	50. 00

Total Assets	\$19, 132. 11
<i>Excess of Liabilities over Assets (Net Debt)</i>	11, 214. 64
Grand Total	\$30, 346. 75

Net Debt, December 31, 1954	\$12, 465. 64
Net Debt, December 31, 1955	11, 214. 64
Decrease of Debt, of Surplus	1, 251. 00

SHEET

Liabilities

ACCOUNTS OWED BY TOWN:

Eastern Lumber Co., Yield tax on deposit
\$250.00

DUE TO STATE:

State Head Taxes - 1955 465.00
(Uncollected \$390.00)
(Collected - not remitted to
State Treasurer \$75.00)

DUE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS:

Balance of Appropriation 15,275.00

OUTSTANDING TEMPORARY LOANS

(in anticipation of Taxes)
Citizens' National Bank 4,000.00
(due Feb. 25, 1956)

LONG TERM NOTES OUTSTANDING:

(5) \$1,000.00 notes due Dec. 1956 to
1960 - Rebuilding 3 Bridges 5,000.00
(1) \$1,000.00 note due Dec. 1956
(on Grader) 1,000.00
(1) \$1,000.00 note due Nov. 1956
(on Fire Truck) 1,000.00
(3) \$1,000.00 notes due June 1956-1958
& 1 note \$356.75 due June 1959 3,356.75
(on Highway Truck)

Total Liabilities

\$30,346.75

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

FROM LOCAL TAXES:

(Collected and remitted to Treasurer)

Property Taxes, <i>Current year</i> 1955	\$49,794.48	
Poll Taxes, <i>Current year</i> :		
<i>Regular at \$2.00 - 1955 -</i>	374.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes - 1955 -	10.00	
State Head Taxes at \$5 - 1955 -	1,135.00	
Total Current Year's Taxes collected & remitted		51,313.48
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes- <i>Previous years</i>		10,554.67
Poll Taxes- <i>previous years -regular at \$2.00</i>		114.00
State Head Taxes at \$5- <i>previous years</i>		345.00
Interest received on Taxes		292.14
Penalties on State Head Taxes		36.50
Tax Sales redeemed		1,018.12

FROM STATE:

<i>refund - Pine Blister Rust</i>	.80	
Town Road Aid	519.95	
Forest Fire Meetings	18.96	
Warden services	8.96	
Interest and dividends tax	2,648.00	
Railroad Tax	86.74	
Savings Bank Tax & Building and		
Loan Association Tax	257.64	
Reimbursement a/c State and		
Federal forest lands	5.85	
Reimbursement a/c Exemption		
of Growing Wood and Timber	2,553.85	
Overpayment 1954 & 1955 Head Tax	287.50	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assist.	107.04	6,495.28

FROM LOCAL SOURCES (*except taxes*):

Dog Licenses (96)	206.25
Business licenses, permits & filing fees	12.00
Fines and forfeits, municipal court	7.50
Rent of Town property	85.00
Income from trust funds	733.72
Registration of Motor Vehicles:	
1954 Permits (13)	26.58

1955 Permits (396)	2,466.63	
1956 Permits (2)	27.30	3,564.98
Total Current Receipts		\$73,734.17

RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$54,198.90	
Insurance adjustments	80.18	
Sale of town property	135.00	
Sale of cemetery plots	115.00	
James F. Giltrap, Jr., oiling driveway	50.00	
Bill West, oiling driveway	246.00	
Clair Warren, 1 sign	1.00	
Elizabeth Coonley, 4 signs	4.00	
Mass. Bonding & Insurance Co.: damages to Town	3,000.00	
Exchange check	2.00	
Barber Tree Service, forest fire	18.11	
Total Receipts other than Current Revenue		\$57,850.19
Total Receipts from All Sources		\$131,584.36
Cash on Hand January 1, 1955		259.27
Grand Total		\$131,843.63

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expense:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Town Officers' salaries	\$2,040.91
Town Officers' expenses	1,495.56
Election and registration expenses	170.06
Expenses town hall & other town bldgs.	897.43

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police Department	342.38
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Fire Department, including forest fires	1, 164.27
Moth extermination - Blister Rust and Care of Trees	645.00
Bounties	101.50
Insurance	1, 181.17
HEALTH:	
Health Dept., including hospitals	400.00
Vital Statistics	17.60
Town dumps & garbage removal	600.00
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:	
Repairs to Bridges	1, 000.00
Town Road Aid	1, 198.90
Town Road Maintenance	10, 850.00
(Summer \$5,750.00)	
(Winter \$5,100.00)	
Street Lighting	1, 717.96
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	2, 500.00
Oiling	4, 246.00
LIBRARIES	972.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:	
Old age assistance	2, 995.60
Town Poor	716.77
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:	
Aid to soldiers and their families	87.99
RECREATION:	
Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	374.70
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:	
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	1, 430.85
UNCLASSIFIED:	
Damages and legal expenses	1, 023.19
Advertising and Regional Associations	6.00

Taxes bought by town	1,378.32	
Discounts, Abatements & Refunds	19.25	
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	146.31	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$39,719.72

INTEREST:

Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	443.87	
Paid on long term notes	415.70	
Total Interest Payments		859.57

OUTLAY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION, and PERMANANT IMPROVEMENTS:

New Bridge	2,191.00	
Total Outlay Payments		2,191.00

INDEBTEDNESS:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	50,198.90	
Payments on long term notes	4,000.00	
Payments to trustees of trust funds:		
5 Cemetery plots	115.00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		54,313.90

PAYMENTS TO OTHER

GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:

State Head Taxes paid State Treasurer:		
(1955 Taxes \$985.50)		
(Prior Years \$742.64)	1,728.14	
Taxes paid to County	4,119.32	
Payments to School Districts:		
(1954 Tax \$13,460.00)		
(1955 Tax \$12,228.29)	25,688.29	
Total payments to other Governmental Div.		\$31,535.75

Total Payments for All Purposes	\$128,619.94
Cash on Hand December 31, 1955	3,223.69

Grand Total **\$131,843.63**

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$25,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	5,000.00
Library, Land and Building	25,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	5,000.00
Police Department Equipment	50.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	5,000.00
Equipment	14,600.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	8,000.00
Equipment	20,000.00
Material and Supplies	1,200.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	2,500.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	30,000.00
Equipment	8,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
Robinson Lot and Dump	1,500.00
Varnum Lot - Lake Massasecum	300.00
Pond Meeting House Lot	500.00
Common, Bradford Center	200.00
Total	\$151,850.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES 1955 TOWN OF BRADFORD

<i>Title of Appropriations</i>	<i>Appro. \$</i>	<i>Receipts Reimburse- ments</i>	<i>Total Am't. Available</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Unexpended Balance</i>	<i>Overdraft</i>
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,100.00		\$ 2,100.00	\$2,040.91	\$ 59.09	
Town Officers' Expense	1,500.00	\$ 2.00	1,502.00	1,495.56	6.44	
Election & Registration	200.00		200.00	170.06	29.94	
Town Hall	1,000.00	85.00	1,085.00	897.43	187.57	
Police Department	1,150.00		1,150.00	342.38		\$ 192.38
Fire Department	1,350.00	46.03	1,396.03	1,164.27	231.76	
Care of Trees	600.00	.80	600.80	645.00		44.20
Insurance	1,200.00	80.18	1,280.18	1,181.17	99.01	
Health Department	400.00		400.00	400.00		
Vital Statistics	25.00		25.00	17.60	7.40	
Summer Roads	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,750.00		750.00
Winter Roads	4,500.00		4,500.00	5,100.00		600.00
Oiling	4,000.00	296.00	4,296.00	4,246.00		
Street Lighting	1,750.00		1,750.00	1,717.96		
General Highway Expense	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00		
TRA (Town Road Aid)	678.96	519.94	1,198.90	1,198.90		
Library	972.00	275.19	1,247.19	972.00	275.19	
Town Poor	1,200.00		1,200.00	716.77	483.23	
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	107.04	2,107.04	2,995.60		888.56
Memorial Day	35.00		35.00		35.00	
Cemeteries	900.00	540.77	1,440.77	1,545.85		105.08
Interest - Long & Short Term	730.60		730.60	859.57		128.97
Payments on Long Term Notes	4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00		
Repairs to Bridges	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
Care of Town Dump	600.00		600.00	600.00		
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00	32.76	132.76	374.70		241.94
Social Security	300.00		300.00	146.31	153.69	
Totals	\$38,791.56	\$1,985.71	\$40,777.27	\$42,078.04	\$1,650.36	\$2,951.13
						<u>1,650.36</u>
						\$1,300.77

Expense Over Appropriations

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK**January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955****Receipts****Tax for Registration of Motor Vehicles :**

13 permits 1954	\$ 26.58	
396 permits 1955	2,466.63	
2 permits 1956	27.30	
Total 411 permits		\$2,520.51

Dog Licenses:

96 registered	\$225.45	
15 penalties	7.50	
	<u>\$232.95</u>	
96 Clerk's fees @ 20 cents	19.20	
	<u>\$213.75</u>	<u>213.75</u>
		\$2,734.26

Payments to Treasurer

Permits	2,520.51	
Dog Taxes	213.75	
	<u></u>	<u>\$2,734.26</u>

ELIZABETH A. CILLEY*Town Clerk*

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property and Poll Taxes

LEVY OF 1955

Dr.

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$60,650.20	
Poll Taxes	520.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	12.00	61,182.20

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	3.51
Poll Taxes	8.00
Interest Collected	1.23

Total Debits	<u>\$61,194.94</u>
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Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	49,794.48	
Poll Taxes	374.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	10.00	
Interest Collected	1.23	
Abatements	172.05	50,351.76

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	10,709.18
Poll Taxes	132.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	2.00
Total Credits	<u>\$61,194.94</u>

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

LEVY OF 1954:

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1955

Property Taxes	\$9,852.25
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Poll Taxes	148.00	
Yield Taxes	967.52	
Added Property Tax	33.00	
Added Poll Tax	2.00	\$11,002.77
Interest Collected		281.12
Total Debits		<u>\$11,283.89</u>

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year

Ending Dec. 31, 1955:

Property Taxes	9,497.66	
Poll Taxes	112.00	
Yield Taxes	967.52	
Interest Collected	281.12	
Abatements	101.25	
Uncollected Property & Poll Taxes	324.31	
Total Credits		<u>\$11,283.89</u>

SUMMARY OF WARRANT Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

LEVY OF 1953:

Dr.

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1955	\$118.61	
Interest Collected	9.79	
Poll Taxes	26.00	
Total Debits		<u>\$154.40</u>

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during Fiscal Year

Ending Dec. 31, 1955:

Property Taxes	\$79.16	
Poll Taxes	2.00	
Yield Taxes	9.33	
Interest	9.79	
Uncollected Property and Poll Taxes	54.12	
Total Credits		<u>\$154.40</u>

SUMMARY OF WARRANT State Head Taxes

LEVY OF 1955:

Dr.

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant	\$1,560.00	
Added Taxes	15.00	1,575.00
Penalties Collected		2.00
Total Debits		<u>\$1,577.00</u>

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	1,135.00	
Penalties	2.00	
Abatements	50.00	
Uncollected as per Collector's List	390.00	
Total Credits		<u>\$1,577.00</u>

SUMMARY OF WARRANT State Head Tax

LEVY OF 1954:

Dr.

Uncollected as of Jan. 1, 1955	\$440.00	
Penalties Collected	34.50	
Total Debits		<u>\$474.50</u>

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$345.00	
Penalties	34.50	
Abatements	45.00	
Uncollected	50.00	
Total Credits		<u>\$474.50</u>

**Unredeemed Taxes from Tax Sales
on Account of Levies of:**

	1954	1953	1952	<i>Previous Years</i>
Ernest Durgin	12.25	11.67	11.61	35.95
Woodsville Logging Co.	16.86	15.90	1.55	
E. C. Rollins	6.47	6.38	6.36	
L. Leach Estate	6.47	6.38	6.36	
S. Colby Estate	9.35	9.02	8.98	
Annie C. George Heirs	15.13	14.31	14.23	13.69
John Wagner Heirs	15.13	14.31		13.72
Ernest Russell			5.04	4.98
H. T. Douglass		1.36	2.55	
George Shattuck	92.25	76.05		
A. W. Watkins			73.57*	
Alfred Degenhardt	211.48	2.99		
G. G. Barstow Estate	74.78	7.50		
John and Ruth Farrell	10.51			
Eugene Haywood	9.35			
William C. Thomas	20.91			
James McIntyre	39.28			
M. O. Mathewson Estate	5.03			
H. Stevens	26.68			
William Tapply	2.05			
Almon Dowlin	3.33			
John Rowell	20.98			
Douglas Saxby	234.58			
Arthur Valley	107.53			
	\$940.40	\$165.87	\$130.25	\$68.34

**Redeemed*

**Summary of Tax Sales Accounts
as of December 31, 1955**

	1954	1953	1952	<i>Previous Years</i>
<i>Dr.</i>				
Taxes Sold to Town				
During Current Year	\$1,378.32			
Balance Unredeemed Taxes				
as of Jan. 1, 1955		\$679.17	\$140.28	\$86.72
Interest collected				
after Sale	.94	32.59	.80	3.81
Total Debits	\$1,379.26	711.76	\$141.08	\$90.53
<i>Cr.</i>				
Remittances to Treasurer				
During Year	\$438.86	\$545.89	\$10.83	\$22.19
Unredeemed Taxes				
as of Dec. 31, 1955	940.40	165.87	130.25	68.34
Total Credits	\$1,379.26	\$711.76	\$141.08	\$90.53

Respectfully Submitted,

CARROLL BUTMAN

Tax Collector

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

(Detailed Statement of Receipts)

Balance on hand December 31, 1954		\$259.27
Carroll Butman, Tax Collector:		
1955 Property Tax	\$49,794.48	
1955 Poll Tax	374.00	
1955 Head Tax	1,135.00	
1955 Interest	1.23	
1955 National Bank Stock	10.00	
1955 Head Tax Penalties	2.00	
1954 Property Tax	9,498.66	
1954 Poll Tax	112.00	
1954 Head Tax	345.00	
1954 Head Tax Penalties	34.50	
1954 Interest	281.12	
1954 Yield Tax	967.52	
1953 Property Tax	79.16	
1953 Poll Tax	2.00	
1953 Interest	9.79	
1953 Yield Tax	9.33	\$62,655.79
Redeemed Taxes 1954:		
Almon Dowlin	10.00	
Irene Dixon	107.53	
Herbert Fearing	88.76	
August Rehberg	142.66	
W. R. Tapply	88.97	
Interest and Costs	.94	438.86
Redeemed Taxes 1953:		
August and Elsie Rehberg	50.00	
Charles and Loretta Vickland	167.11	
Orleen Fortune	26.96	
Horace Bagley	10.00	
Almon Dowlin	22.25	
Alberton Bagley (<i>pd. by Frank Fortune</i>)	7.89	
Herbert Fearing	81.75	
G. G. Barstow Estate	72.60	
August Rehberg	75.09	
Interest	32.59	546.24

Redeemed Taxes 1952:		
Alberton Bagley (<i>pd. by Frank Fortune</i>)	10.03	
Interest	.80	10.83
Redeemed Taxes 1951:		
Alberton Bagley (<i>pd. by Frank Fortune</i>)	9.70	
Interest	1.73	11.43
Redeemed Taxes 1950:		
Alberton Bagley (<i>pd. by Frank Fortune</i>)	8.68	
Interest	2.08	10.76
Elizabeth A. Cilley, Town Clerk:		
96 Dogs	\$206.25	
Penalties	7.50	
1954 (13) permits	26.58	
1955 (396) permits	2,466.63	
1956 (2) permits	27.30	2,734.26
Cemetery Plots:		
Mrs. Maude Kellar -		
(Sunny Plain F1)	\$15.00	
Albert J. Ansart -		
(Sunny Plain C8)	25.00	
Mabelle E. Hall -		
(Sunny Plain B1)	25.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Tatro -		
(Sunny Plain 2B1)	25.00	
Arthur E. Starkweather -		
(Sunny Plain 2D7)	25.00	115.00
Forrest Craigie, Road Agent:		
James F. Giltrap, Jr., -		
oiling driveway	50.00	
Bill West, oiling driveway	246.00	296.00
Rent of Town Hall:		
Bradford Women's Club	\$25.00	
Bradford Women's Club Fair	15.00	
H. T. Douglass, -		
movies and entertainment	45.00	85.00
State of New Hampshire:		
Forest Fire Training Meetings:		
(3/28-5/19/55)	\$18.96	
Warden Services 5/7/55	8.96	
T. R. A.	519.94	
Recovery James H. Johnson	94.77	

Recovery Mabel G. Connor	12.27	
Interest and Dividends	2,648.00	
Savings Bank Tax	257.64	
Railroad Tax	86.74	
Reimbursement a/c Growing Wood and Timber	2,553.85	
Reimbursement a/c Federal- State Forest Lands	5.85	
Overpayment 1954 Head Tax	12.50	
Overpayment 1955 Head Tax	275.00	
Refund Blister Rust	.80	6,495.28
Temporary Loans:		
Citizens' National Bank, Newport, N.H.		54,198.90
Sale of Town Property:		
Agnes and Gustav Svenson - Annie C. George Heirs	60.00	
Frank Fortune-John Wagner Heirs	75.00	135.00
Selectmen:		
Four pistol permits	\$2.00	
Clair Warren (1 sign <i>Windswept</i>)	1.00	
Elizabeth Coonley (1 sign <i>Bass Point</i>)	4.00	
Elizabeth A. Cilley (<i>refund Workmens' Compensation Insurance</i>)	59.72	
Elizabeth A. Cilley (<i>Insurance refund</i>)	20.46	
Mass. Bonding & Ins. Co. (<i>Damages to Town</i>)	3,000.00	
Exchange check	2.00	
Bradford Women's Club - (<i>Beano Permit - Fair</i>)	10.00	
Barber Tree Service (<i>Forest Fire</i>)	18.11	
Trustees Trust Funds - <i>Expenses French's Park</i>	32.76	
<i>Perpetual Care Lots</i>	425.77	
<i>Library Steps (from Sarah Raymond Hoyt Fund)</i>	275.19	3,851.01
Total Receipts		\$131,843.63
<i>Less by Payments On Selectmen's orders</i>		128,619.94
Balance on hand December 31, 1955		\$3,223.69

LILLIAN S. FREY
Town Treasurer

STATEMENT OF LONG TERM NOTES

TOWN OF BRADFORD, N. H.

December 31, 1955

SHOWING ANNUAL MATURITIES OF LONG TERM NOTES

	<i>Grader</i>	<i>Fire Truck</i>	<i>Highway Truck</i>	<i>Rebuilding 3 Bridges</i>	
	1951 3%	1952 3%	1953 3%	1954 3%	
	Original Amt. \$5, 000.00	Original Amt. \$5, 000.00	Original Amt. \$5, 356.75	Original Amt. \$7, 000.00	Total Annual Maturities
1956	1, 000.00	1, 000.00	1, 000.00	1, 000.00	4, 000.00
1957			1, 000.00	1, 000.00	2, 000.00
1958			1, 000.00	1, 000.00	2, 000.00
1959			356.75	1, 000.00	1, 356.75
1960				1, 000.00	1, 000.00
TOTAL	\$1, 000.00	\$1, 000.00	\$3, 356.75	\$5, 000.00	\$10, 356.75

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Town Officers' Salaries

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$2, 100.00
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PAID:

Bernard M. Woods, Selectman	\$307.72	
Dana C. Sanborn, Selectman	344.96	
Reuben S. Moore, Selectman	406.70	
Carroll Butman, Tax Collector	640.87	
Lillian S. Frey, Treasurer	117.00	
Elizabeth A. Cilley, Town Clerk	73.50	
Leon F. Perkins, Auditor	25.48	
Beachley Wolfe, Auditor	19.60	
Lora B. Cressy, Trustee Trust Funds	49.00	
State Treasurer:		
<i>social security withheld</i>	26.08	\$2, 040.91

Balance	\$59.09
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Town Officers' Expenses

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$1, 500.00
Selectmen, exchange check	2.00
	\$1, 502.00

PAID:

George Simpson, postage	\$33.00	
Henry B. Cilley, postage	15.00	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc., supplies	76.08	
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	26.07	
Mayflower Press, town reports	517.15	
Mayflower Press, imprinted envelopes	16.13	
Reuben S. Moore, 500 envelopes	18.49	
Citizens' National Bank, service chg.	38.35	
Wheeler & Clark, selectmen's stamp	3.25	

Merr. Co. Tel. Co., service	\$71.50	
tolls	34.74	106.24
Mildred Gunscheon, clerical work		201.39
Ruth S. Moore, addressing		
inventory blanks		11.76
Lillian S. Frey, treasurer's expense		19.30
Leon F. Perkins, auditor's expense		
and drawing deed		2.63
Lora B. Cressy, trustees' expense		2.39
Elizabeth A. Cilley, expense to		
Town Clerks' meeting		21.20
Elizabeth A. Cilley, 411 permits		201.04
Tax Collectors' Association, dues		3.00
Assoc. of N. H. Assessors, dues		3.00
Elizabeth A. Cilley, town clerk's dues		2.00
U.S. Auto & Truck Guide, subscription		7.50
Reuben S. Moore, use of car		10.00
Dana C. Sanborn, use of car		16.36
Katherine Crowley, conveyances		19.26
Kearsarge Independent, notices		2.50
Donald Norcross,		
mounting aerial photos		50.00
H. L. Holmes, flowers for funeral		10.00
Village Store, stop payment ck. 7/5/52		52.46
State Treasurer,		
social security withheld	10.11	\$1,495.56
Balance		\$ 6.44

Election and Registration

Appropriation \$200.00

PAID:

Leon F. Perkins, ballot clerk	\$5.88
Vernon F. Hall, ballot clerk	5.88
Mildred H. Gunscheon, ballot clerk	5.88
Beachley Wolfe, ballot clerk	5.88
Paul N. Gove, moderator	11.76
Raymond Peaslee, supervisor	16.66
Harry Hanson, supervisor	16.66

Carroll Butman, supervisor	2.94	
Bernard M. Woods, selectman	9.80	
Dana C. Sanborn, selectman	9.80	
Reuben S. Moore, selectman	8.82	
Women's Chrictian Guild, -		
town meeting meals	36.00	
Mayflower Press, town meeting ballots	29.10	
State Treasurer, -		
<i>social security withheld</i>	5.00	\$170.06
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Balance		\$29.94

Town Hall Expenses

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$1,000.00
Rent	85.00
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	\$1,085.00

PAID:

H. T. Douglass, janitor	\$470.40	
Public Service Co., service	107.98	
Warner Fuel Co., coal	159.00	
C. A. Danforth & Co., fuel oil	31.90	
C. A. Danforth & Co., bulbs & nails	2.56	
C. L. Haskell:		
flame-proofing curtains	78.00	
Quality Cleaners, cleaning		
2 stage curtains	17.00	
Arthur E. Rowe, labor & supplies	6.10	
Donald Douglass, labor	3.92	
Henry A. Wright, labor on wood	2.94	
Roy C. Parsons:		
supplies for Electrolux	2.52	
Cressy & Williams, bolts	.28	
Clarence Wadleigh,		
2 basketball hoops	8.00	
State Treasurer:		
<i>social security withheld</i>	6.83	\$897.43
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Balance		\$187.57

Police Department

Appropriation \$150.00

PAID,:

Varel Peaslee, police duty	\$112.21	
Varel Peaslee, dog constable	7.59	
Varel Peaslee, use of car	55.00	
Lester Witham, police duty	38.22	
Frank Brown, police duty	14.70	
Arthur Valley, police duty	4.90	
Stanley Heath, police duty	35.28	
Reuben S. Moore, police duty	9.80	
Maurice Youmans,		
4 hand-cuff pouches	20.16	
Mayflower Press, police hat badge	3.00	
Maxwell Press:		
100 complaint & warrant blanks	3.00	
Maxwell Press, 1,000 summons slips	14.70	
Bradford Garage: install lights on		
Peaslee and Witham cruisers	22.20	
State Treasurer:		
<i>social security withheld</i>	1.62	\$342.38

Overdraft \$192.38

Fire Department

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$1,350.00
State of N. H., training meeting	18.96
State of N. H., warden services	8.96
Barber Tree Service, forest fire	18.11
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	\$1,396.03

PAID:

C. A. Danforth & Co., fuel oil	\$191.03
Bradford Garage, gas, parts & repairs	52.99
Public Service Co., service	85.47
Merr. Co. Tele. Co., tolls	1.55
Merr. Farmers' Exchange, insulation	
for fire house & supplies	79.00
W. W. Trow & Son lumber	17.92

Eureka Fire Hose, 300 ft. fire hose	325.65	
State of N. H., 3 knapsack pumps	32.70	
Blanchard Associates, fire equipment and supplies	87.30	
Sanel Auto Parts, Inc., booster cables	12.90	
A. F. Robinson Boiler Works: hinge and door handle	6.09	
Dustin G. Cressy Co.: paint for fire house	24.75	
Chas. W. Sanborn, painting fire house	77.70	
Cressy & Williams, 4 dry cells	3.60	
Robert's Express, express	2.88	
Arthur E. Rowe, labor and supplies on oil burner	5.00	
Robert Pugliese, labor on waterholes	10.23	
Nelson Spaulding, care of fire house	73.50	
Nelson Spaulding, use of car and lunches for warden meeting	30.32	
L. E. Sargent, warden training	4.90	
Harry Hanson, warden and forest fire training	8.32	
Walter A. Heselton, Sr.: deputy warden training	4.90	
Walter A. Heselton, Jr.: deputy warden training	4.90	
Hogg Hill fire	17.40	
State Treasurer: social security withheld	2.77	\$1,164.27
Balance		\$231.76

Moth Extermination and Care of Trees

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$600.00
State of N. H., refund Blister Rust Control	.80
	<u>\$600.80</u>

PAID:

State Forester, blister rust control	\$400.00	
Monadnock Tree Service, spraying trees	245.00	\$645.00
<i>Overdraft</i>		<u>\$44.20</u>

Bounties

Bernard M. Woods	(6)	\$3.00	
Dana C. Sanborn	(134)	67.00	
Reuben S. Moore	(63)	31.50	\$101.50

(Due from State \$101.50)

Health Department

Appropriation \$400.00

PAID:

American Red Cross, donation	\$50.00	
Concord Hospital, town donation	150.00	
New London Hospital, town donation	200.00	\$400.00

Winter Roads

Appropriation \$4,500.00

PAID:

Forrest D. Craigie, road agent	\$5,100.00	5,100.00
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Overdraft \$600.00

Summer Roads

Appropriation \$5,000.00

PAID:

Forrest D. Craigie, road agent	\$5,750.00	\$5,750.00
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Overdraft \$750.00

Oiling

Appropriation \$4,000.00

James Giltrap, Jr., oiling driveway '54	50.00	
Bill West, Jr., oiling driveway '55	246.00	
		<u>\$4,296.00</u>

PAID:

Forrest D. Craigie, road agent	<u>\$4,246.00</u>	<u>\$4,246.00</u>
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Balance		\$ 50.00
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Repairs to Bridges

<i>Appropriation</i>		\$1,000.00
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PAID:

Forrest D. Craigie, road agent	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
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Fairgrounds' Bridge

PAID:

Forrest D. Craigie, road agent		\$2,191.00
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Funds for the extension of this bridge were received from our claim of destruction of bridges on West Meadow, West, and Box Corner roads.

Town Dump

<i>Appropriation</i>		\$600.00
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PAID:

Forrest D. Craigie, road agent	<u>\$600.00</u>	<u>\$600.00</u>
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General Highway Expense

<i>Appropriation</i>		\$2,500.00
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PAID:

Forrest D. Craigie, road agent	<u>\$2,500.00</u>	<u>\$2,500.00</u>
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State of New Hampshire

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$678.96	
State of New Hampshire	519.94	
	<u>\$1,198.90</u>	

PAID:		
Town Road Aid	\$1,198.90	<u>\$1,198.90</u>

(The State furnished the sum of \$4,526.39)

Street Lighting

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$1,750.00	
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PAID:		
Public Service Co.	\$1,717.96	<u>1,717.96</u>

Balance	\$32.04	
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Library

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$972.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds: reimbursement for amount spent on Library steps from Sarah Raymond Hoyt Memorial Fund	275.19	
	<u>\$1,247.19</u>	

PAID:		
Louise Wolfe, trustee	\$972.00	<u>\$972.00</u>

Balance	\$275.19	
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Old Age Assistance

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$2,000.00	
State of N. H., refund James Johnson	94.77	

State of N. H., <i>recovery</i> Mabel F. Connor	12.27
	<u>\$2, 107.04</u>

PAID:

State of New Hampshire	\$2, 995.60	<u>\$2, 995.60</u>
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<i>Overdraft</i>	\$888.56
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Town Poor

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$1, 200.00
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PAID:

Frank Wiggin:	
Anne A. Wasson, M.D.	\$3.00

Harold Chase:	
L. "Red" Boutwell, groceries	20.00

Almon Dowlin:	
Merr. Farmers' Exchange:	
dog food	5.64
Wilfred Seavey:	
care of dogs	24.00
New London Hospital	<u>143.25</u>
	172.89

Katherine Rowell:	
Anne A. Wasson M.D.	7.00
Wm.P.Clough Jr., M.D.	100.00
Dr. Alfred Sears	35.00
New London Hospital:	
½ bill	<u>134.69</u>
	276.69

Hosea Currier:	
Mary Hitchcock Hospital	100.00

George Shattuck, Sr.:	
L. "Red" Boutwell, groceries	24.39

Lester Witham, overseer	117.60
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State Treasurer:	
social security withheld	2.20
	<u>\$716.77</u>

Balance	\$483.23
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Soldiers' Aid**PAID:**

Anne A. Wasson, M.D., medical care	\$8.00	
L. "Red" Boutwell, groceries	59.99	
Village Store, groceries	10.00	
Dana C. Sanborn:		
transportation to hospital	10.00	\$87.99

Memorial Day

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$35.00
No expense	
Balance	\$35.00

Cemeteries

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$900.00
Trustees of Trust Funds, <i>reimbursement</i> :	
care of perpetual care lots	425.77
Mrs. Maude Kellar (Lot F1 at Sunny Plains)	15.00
Albert J. Ansart, (Lot C8 at Sunny Plains)	25.00
Mabelle E. Hall (Lot B1 at Sunny Plains)	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Tatro (Lot 2B1 at Sunny Plains)	25.00
Arthur E. Starkweather (Lot 2D7 at Sunny Plains)	25.00
	<u>\$1,440.77</u>

PAID:

Wallace Woodward, care of cemeteries	454.67
Wallace Woodward, use of truck	89.91
Wallace Woodward, repairs and supplies for power mower	19.54
Robert H. Bagley, care of cemeteries	477.66
Elwin D. Bagley, care of cemeteries	236.79
Sanel Auto Parts, Inc.:	
power mower	78.02
Public Service Co., service	21.00
Merr. Farmers' Exchange, Inc.:	
service on pump & draining system	13.64

Arthur E. Rowe, parts & labor on pump	14.89	
Trustees of Trust Funds:		
5 lots sold at Sunny Plains Cem.	115.00	
State Treasurer:		
<i>social security withheld</i>	24.73	\$1,545.85
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<i>Overdraft</i>		\$105.03

Parks and Playgrounds

<i>Appropriation</i>		\$100.00
Trustees of Trust Funds: <i>reimbursement</i>		
expense at French's Park		32.76
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		\$132.76

PAID:

Forrest D. Craigie, work of		
highway crew at French's Park	\$317.20	
Wallace Woodward:		
labor at French's Park	21.39	
Wallace Woodward:		
use of truck at French's Park	4.50	
Robert H. Bagley:		
labor at French's Park	21.39	
Thomas Pitts, mowing Lafayette Square	9.38	
State Treasurer:		
<i>social security withheld</i>	.84	\$374.70
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<i>Overdraft</i>		\$241.94

Insurance

<i>Appropriation</i>		\$1,200.00
Elizabeth A. Cilley, <i>refund on Workmen's Comp.</i>		59.72
Elizabeth A. Cilley, <i>refund on insurance</i>		20.46
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		\$1,280.18

PAID:

Elizabeth A. Cilley:		
Liability on Fire trucks	\$87.40	
Officers' Bonds	148.54	

Liability Ford truck and Grader	72.61
Workmen's Compensation	257.40
Volunteer Fire Co.	138.00

Roy A. Messer:

Chevrolet pumper	5.25
Town Hall and Contents	169.29
1946 Grader	17.92
1953 Ford	14.00
Siren	7.50
Liability Town Property	208.91
Fire Truck No. 2	12.00

Lester F. Hall:

Liability Ford No. 1	42.35	\$1,181.17
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Balance

\$99.01

Taxes Bought By Town

Alfred P. Degenhardt	\$211.48
*Irene Dixon	107.53
Ernest Durgin	12.25
John and Ruth Farrell	10.51
Annie C. George Heirs	15.13
Eugene Haywood	9.35
William C. and DeLyte Thomas	20.91
James McIntyre	39.28
M. O. Matthewson Estate	5.03
Herbert Stevens	26.68
John Wagner Heirs	15.13
*William Tapply	91.02
Woodsville Logging Co.	16.86
E. C. Rollins	6.47
Lizzie Leach Estate	6.47
Silas Colby Estate	9.35
Gideon G. Barstow Estate	74.78
Almon S. Dowlin	13.33
*Herbert Fearing	88.76
*August Rehberg	142.66
John Rowell	20.98
Douglas Saxby	234.58

George Shattuck	92.25	
Arthur Valley	107.53	\$1,378.23

**Redeemed*

Interest

Appropriation \$730.60

PAID:

Paid on long term notes	\$415.70	
Paid on short term notes	443.87	\$859.57

Overdraft \$128.97

Indebtedness

Appropriation \$4,000.00

Long Term Notes

PAID:

Citizens National Bank:

Payment on 1953 Highway truck \$1,000.00

Payment on fire truck 1,000.00

Sugar River Savings Bank:

Payment on grader 1,000.00

Payment on rebuilding 3 bridges 1,000.00 \$4,000.00

Short Term Notes

Citizens National Bank:

borrowed in anticipation of taxes \$49,000.00

Citizens National Bank, T. R. A. loan 1,198.90 \$50,198.90

(The T. R. A. loan was needed to complete the surface of a piece of road connecting two parts already finished on the East Washington Road.)

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

PAID:

Donald G. Rainie, Treas., county tax	\$4,119.32	
Lillian S. Frey, School Treasurer	25,688.29	
State of New Hampshire:		
Head Tax and penalties	1,728.14	\$31,535.75

The Town was reimbursed:

State of N. H., overpayment		
1954 Head Tax	\$12.50	
State of N. H., overpayment		
1955 Head Tax	275.00	
	<u>\$287.50</u>	

Vital Statistics

<i>Appropriation</i>	\$25.00
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PAID:

Elizabeth A. Cilley, vital statistics	\$17.25	
State Treasurer, <i>social security withheld</i>	.35	\$17.60

Balance	\$7.40
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Advertising

PAID:

State of New Hampshire, 6 signs	\$6.00	\$6.00
The Town was reimbursed:		
Clair Warren, 1 sign post	\$1.00	
Elizabeth Coonley, 4 sign posts	4.00	
	<u>\$5.00</u>	

Damage and Legal Expense

PAID:

McLane, Carleton, Graf, Greene

& Brown, bridge damage suit	\$803.90	
Forrest D. Craigie, expense and trip to Manchester on bridge damage suit	20.00	
Upton, Sanders & Upton, - Hosea Currier case	194.29	\$1,023.19

Received:

Massachusetts Bonding & Insurance
Co., bridge & road damage to Town
of Bradford \$3,000.00

Tax Refunds**PAID:**

Louis Lux, refund on taxes	\$11.00	
Frank H. Larivee, refund on taxes	8.25	\$19.25

Social Security

Appropriation \$300.00

PAID:

State Treasurer, administrative costs	\$65.80	
State Treasurer, social security	80.51	\$146.31

Balance \$153.69

Report on Social Security for One Year

Taken from Highway account	\$162.49
Taken from Library account	8.50
Taken from Selectmen's account	80.51
Administration costs to State	65.80
Total cost to Town	\$317.30

TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

Forrest D. Craigie, *Road Agent*

Balance on hand, January 1, 1955	\$47.53	
Received from Selectmen	<u>21,704.20</u>	\$21,751.73
Expenditures of Road Agent		<u>21,746.32</u>
Balance on hand, December 31, 1955		\$5.41

Winter Roads

<i>Received from Selectmen</i>	\$5,100.00
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PAID:

Labor:

Forrest D. Craigie	\$1,033.52
Varel Peaslee	950.82
Leon E. Sargent	390.89
Harry Hanson	13.23
Almon Dowlin	38.92
Thomas Pitts	34.20
George Brown	6.94
Herbert Fearing	13.88
Harry Hanson, tractor and shovel	330.00

Gravel:

R. H. Hassell	10.00	
S. O. Blake	9.50	
Martha Blake	8.00	
Richard Smith	10.50	
Roy A. Messer	3.20	
American Oil Co., gasoline	367.94	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, Inc., salt and chloride	559.77	
Director of Internal Revenue, <i>Withholding Tax</i>	265.60	
State Treasurer, <i>Social Security</i>	135.48	4,182.39

Summer Roads

Received from Selectmen \$5,750.00

PAID:

Labor:

Forrest D. Craigie	\$922.72
Varel Peaslee	798.72
Leon E. Sargent	585.31
Harry Hanson	37.97
Herbert Fearing	18.50
Millard Craigie	9.80
John Fortune	9.25
Raymond Sargent	9.80
Harold Chase	461.42
Harry Hanson, tractor and shovel	1,365.00
Leonard F. Wheeler, shovel and truck	40.00

Gravel:

S. O. Blake	124.40
Martha Blake	62.00
Richard Smith	36.00
R. H. Hassell	4.50
William Elliott	24.00
William Cleve	2.00
Cynthia Coonley	6.40
Edward Sylvester	12.00
American Oil Co., gasoline	339.99
R. C. Hazelton Co., culverts	121.44
N. H. Explosives & Machinery Co., dynamite and caps	33.43

Director of Internal Revenue,

Withholding Tax

State Treasurer, <i>Social Security</i>	255.15	
	126.47	\$5,406.27

Oiling

<i>Received from Selectmen</i>	\$4,000.00
Bill West, oiling driveway	246.00
	<u>\$4,246.00</u>

PAID:

Labor:

Forrest D. Craigie	\$340.10	
Varel Peaslee	222.06	
Leon E. Sargent	234.12	
Kenneth Stoddart	17.50	
Harold Chase	83.26	
Wallace Ingalls	9.25	
Harry Hanson	43.55	
Harry Hanson, tractor and shovel	321.00	
Tilton Construction Co., shovel	185.50	
Gravel:		
Richard Smith	15.20	
S. O. Blake	9.20	
Koppers company, cutback	1, 152.49	
Mystic Bituminous Products Co., asphalt	1, 037.57	
Granite State Asphalt Co., cold patch	95.34	
American Oil Co., gasoline	99.90	
Director of Internal Revenue, <i>Withholding Tax</i>	57.40	
State Treasurer, <i>Social Security</i>	39.55	\$3, 962.99

Repairs to Bridges

Received from Selectmen \$1, 000.00

PAID:

W. A. Heselton & Son, bridge plank	\$244.96	
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc., culverts	330.88	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	511.09	
State Treasurer, <i>Social Security</i>	1.62	\$1, 088.55

Rebuilding Fairgrounds' Bridge

Received from Selectmen \$2, 191.00

PAID:

Labor:

Forrest D. Craigie	\$125.41
Varel Peaslee	103.35
Harry Hanson	45.32
Leon E. Sargent	87.77

Millard Craigie	23.27	
Harry Hanson, tractor and shovel	168.00	
Bradford Garage, welding	134.35	
Leonard Wheeler, drilling	7.00	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, cement	98.66	
Lyons Iron Works, beams	353.06	
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc., culvert	114.27	
Guy Craig, lumber	39.06	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., metal plank and paint	1,273.60	
Granite State Asphalt Co., asphalt	56.74	
Director of Internal Revenue, <i>Withholding Tax</i>	6.55	
State Treasurer, <i>Social Security</i>	3.84	\$2,640.25

Dump

Received from Selectmen \$600.00

PAID:

Labor:

Almon Dowlin	\$440.20	
Forrest D. Craigie	21.42	
Varel Peaslee	19.60	
Leon E. Sargent	18.40	
Harold Chase	18.50	
Harry Hanson, tractor and shovel	24.00	
Director of Internal Revenue, <i>Withholding Tax</i>	20.80	
State Treasurer, <i>Social Security</i>	26.74	\$589.66

French's Park

Received from Selectmen \$317.20

PAID:

Labor:

Forrest D. Craigie	\$50.10	
Varel Peaslee	46.80	
Harold Chase	46.26	
Leon E. Sargent	19.60	

Harry Hanson, tractor and shovel	120.00	
S. O. Blake, gravel	20.00	
Director of Internal Revenue, <i>Withholding Tax</i>	10.90	
State Treasurer, <i>Social Security</i>	7.08	\$320.74

General Highway Expense

Received from Selectmen \$2,500.00

PAID:

Citizens National Bank, service charge	\$25.85
Merrimack Telephone Co.:	
service	\$66.00
tolls	11.91
Bradford Garage, repairs and parts	1,290.63
Jim's Auto Service, repairs, parts, tires	723.03
D. G. Cressy Co., supplies	27.72
Public Service Co., service	25.20
Thompson & Hoague, steel for boiler	4.83
N. H. Explosives & Machinery Co., grader blades and parts for cement mixer	35.04
Scott Machinery Co., parts and repairs for grader and plow	194.99
G. H. Philbrick, parts and labor on steam boiler	34.28
C. A. Danforth & Co., fuel oil	84.80
Merrimack Farmer's Exchange, eaves	6.70
Mayflower Press, 50 load limit signs	21.00
J. E. Faltin Motor Transp., express	2.77
Edwin Westerberg, cement mixer	100.00
Arthur Valley & Co., chain saw	150.00
Arthur Valley & Co., repairs cement mixer	3.90
D. G. Donavan Machine & Supply Co., new pump and labor	108.75
R. C. Hazelton Co., tar pot	500.00
R. C. Hazelton Co., snow plow cutting edges	67.00
Cressy & Williams, bolts	1.27
Cassellini-Venable Corp., parts for sander	12.93
Forrest D. Craigie, wheels for trailer	16.00

Larry's Service Station, front end for trailer	12.00	
Charles Allen, axle for trailer	10.00	
Smith's Garage, oil	11.30	
Page Belting Co., parts	.67	
Ray Road Equipment, 2 bantum shovels	6.90	\$3, 555.47

In all departments the withholding tax has been withheld from wages as has one-half of the social security.

Maintenance Costs on 1949 Black Ford Truck

Bradford Garage, repairs and parts	\$586.43	
Jim's Auto Service, tires, repairs and parts	493.36	
D. G. Donovan Machine & Supply Co., new pump and labor	108.75	\$1, 188.54

Some Projects for which Town money has been expended.

(Identification of Pictures in Insert - Opposite Page)

1. Bradford Center Road
2. T. R. A. Road at Gulf Hill
3. Water Power
4. Mowatt's Bridge
5. Lake Todd (*Frozen*)
6. Farr Bridge
7. Mowatt's Bridge and T. R. A. Road



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REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Be A Good Citizen - Cooperate

Smoking and debris burning caused more than 50 percent of the forest fires occurring in the state of New Hampshire in 1955 - 235 fires out of a total of 463 originated from these two sources. Lighted smoking material and matches thrown from moving vehicles along the highway or dropped by fishermen, hunters, hikers, berry and flower pickers accounted for 26 percent; debris burning in the wrong place or at the wrong time by those who failed to heed all pleas for safety or refused to recognize the logical, sensible rules and regulations set up under legislative authority governing the use of fire in or near woodlands accounted for more than 24 percent. This is inexcusable.

Everything possible is being done officially to remedy the situation. Since 1909 there has been a statute on our law books which requires everyone to secure written permission from the local forest fire warden before starting a fire in or near woodlands or where fire can be communicated to woodlands, unless the ground is covered with snow. A never ending program of educational work is being carried on by your local warden and state officials to inform the general public both of the value and necessity of securing the required permit for such burning. Much progress has been made, but there are still many who fail or refuse to cooperate. The value of our permit system was definitely proven in this district during the 1955 calendar year. Local wardens issued 3,864 permits for debris burning fires. That's a lot of permits. The records show only 2 permit fires got out of control. This proves several things - while wardens were liberal in the issuance of fire permits, accommodating every applicant so far as possible, they were cautious, following closely directives outlining overall policy governing the issuance of burning permits and thoroughly instructing permit users. The latter, too, fully appreciating their responsibility in using their permits, governed themselves accordingly. Result? Much burning done legally and safe.

But what of the smokers? Despite all the efforts of those officially charged with the responsibility of preventing fires, too many were careless or thoughtless in disposing of smoking

material and matches. Why? It is difficult to say. Autos are now equipped with ash trays. Why not use them. The crushing out of a cigar, cigarette and the complete extinguishment of matches before being discarded is an easy chore.

If the costly habits of the careless and indifferent smoker and debris burner could be overcome, more than half of our annual forest fires would be eliminated. *Will You do Your share to bring this about?*

R E M E M B E R

1. Get a written permit from your local warden before starting your debris burning or camp fire. **THE LAW REQUIRES IT.**
2. Make certain they are dead out before leaving them.
3. Become a safe smoker by extinguishing smoking material and matches before discarding them.

Be A Good Citizen - Cooperate

1955 Fire Record for Our Town:

Number of local fires	1
Numbers of acres burned	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Number of permits issued	57

Thos. J. King
District Fire Chief

Nelson C. Spaulding
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

of the

TOWN OF BRADFORD

for the

Year Ending December 31, 1955

C E R T I F I C A T E

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

January 10, 1956

VIVIAN A. MESSER	} <i>Trustees</i>
THOMAS J. MOORE, JR.	
LORA B. CRESSY	

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS Purpose of Creation Name of Fund	How Funds are Invested	Amount of Principal	Balance of Income		Rate of Interest	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
				on hand at beginning of Year	During Year				
11/13/41	Alexander, Charles H.	U. S. Bond V 840 205 G	\$500.00	\$48.68	21½	14.08	20.00		\$42.76
9/22/44	Bailey, Ethel M.	"	100.00	1.99	21½	2.56	2.50		2.05
4/11/44	Blood, Hollis L.	"	100.00	1.83	21½	2.54	2.50		1.92
1/20/41	Bradford, Carolyn G.	"	100.00	3.11	21½	2.60	2.50		3.21
11/ 2/20	Brockway, Freeman	"	100.00	22.35	21½	3.22	5.00		20.57
6/ 1/43	Carlton, Kate E. C.	"	500.00	17.13	21½	13.05	12.50		17.68
8/10/20	Choate, Emma L.	"	100.00	2.57	21½	2.57	2.50		2.64
4/11/44	Clark, Ella P.	"	100.00	1.51	21½	2.54	2.50		1.55
6/25/18	Collins, Lemuel	"	100.00	3.50	21½	2.60	2.50		3.60
2/ 3/36	Cressy, Ada	"	100.00	2.82	21½	2.57	2.50		2.89
5/27/43	Cummings, Roswell & Lloyd	"	100.00	2.56	21½	2.57	2.50		2.63
8/28/29	Day, Ward L.	"	150.00	13.36	21½	4.57	2.50		15.43
1/25/43	Huntoon, Marietta(Library)	"	3,000.00	6.98	21½	75.21	75.00		7.19
3/ 6/07	Bartlett, Charles & Carlos	U. S. Bond M6 050 126 G	100.00	1.79	21½	2.54	2.50		1.83
2/15/17	Blaisdell, James H.	"	100.00	1.14	21½	2.54	2.50		1.18
4/23/37	Bradbury & Reed	"	100.00	1.29	21½	2.54	2.50		1.33
1/28/30	Butman, Joshua & Eben	"	100.00	1.79	21½	2.54	2.50		1.83

4/25/18	Carr, Mary E.	"	100.00	2.44	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.51
5/ 4/26	Cofrin, George W.	"	100.00	5.99	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	6.78
6/13/33	Ewins, John H.	"	100.00	2.11	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.18
10/11/06	Harvey, Clara	"	100.00	4.25	2 1/2	2.63	2.50	4.18
10/13/30	Howe, Frank H.	"	100.00	2.20	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.27
2/20/26	Huntoon, Martin H.	"	100.00	2.75	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.82
2/15/29	Hunt, Frank T.	"	300.00	12.99	2 1/2	7.91	11.50	9.40
2/15/29	Collins & Marshall	"	500.00	21.05	2 1/2	13.19	15.00	19.24
4/15/29	French, Daniel & John E.	"	200.00	5.38	2 1/2	5.17	5.00	5.55
3/ 8/49	Bradford Cemetery Fund	"	2, 107.74	314.53	3	80.34	6.66	394.87
	New Hampshire Savings Bank		500.00					
	U. S. Bond No 6 050 124 G	"	500.00	256.15	2 1/2	20.81	275.19	1.77
2/ 1/12	Hoyt, Sarah Raymond (Mem.)	"	500.00	2.54	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.61
11/ 4/43	Eaton, J. Willis	"	100.00	3.50	2 1/2	2.60	2.50	3.60
2/ 3/36	Emory, John	"	100.00	3.50	2 1/2	2.60	2.50	3.60
8/ 7/35	Ewins, Hattie G.	"	100.00	5.58	2 1/2	5.17	5.00	5.75
5/ 1/39	Fisher, Fred W.	"	200.00	3.45	2 1/2	2.60	2.50	3.55
9/14/43	Gardner, Mary F.	"	100.00	2.24	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.31
2/10/20	Hart, William S.	"	100.00	2.05	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.12
10/ 7/44	Hoyt, Elbridge G.	"	200.00	5.83	2 1/2	5.17	7.50	3.50
1/25/43	Huntoon, Marietta	"	100.00	3.50	2 1/2	2.60	2.50	3.60
6/ 1/39	Kittridge, Everett	"	100.00	2.82	2 1/2	2.57	5.00	.39
8/13/37	Marshall, Charles H.	"	100.00	1.32	2 1/2	2.54	2.50	1.36
12/29/32	McDowell, Mary A.	"	100.00	1.56	2 1/2	2.54	2.50	1.60
4/29/41	Messer, Hannah E.	"	100.00	6.32	2 1/2	2.70	2.50	6.52
1/31/24	Morse, Elvira J.	"	200.00	8.96	2 1/2	5.28	5.00	9.24
8/ 5/44	Morse, Flora M.	"	100.00	3.50	2 1/2	2.60	2.50	3.60
6/ 5/39	Peaslee, Caroline F.	"	100.00	1.32	2 1/2	2.54	2.50	1.36
9/ 1/20	Peaslee, Daniel G.	"	100.00	4.00	2 1/2	2.63	2.50	4.13
10/19/38	Peaslee, George W.	"	\$100.00					
	U. S. Bond M5 901 626 G							

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				on hand at Beginning of Year	During Year	Expended During Year	on Hand at End of Year		During Year	Expended During Year	
11/26/43	Peaslee, Lizzie F.	U. S. Bond M5 901 625 G	200.00	9.18	2 1/2	5.30	9.48	2 1/2	5.30	5.00	9.48
6/12/39	Rand & Cheney	"	100.00	2.57	2 1/2	2.57	2.64	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.64
10/ 7/44	Sanborn, Joseph W.	"	100.00	2.68	2 1/2	2.57	2.75	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.75
7/ 9/42	Smith & Forsaith	"	100.00	4.40	2 1/2	2.63	4.53	2 1/2	2.63	2.50	4.53
8/13/37	Smyth, Joseph H.	"	100.00	2.82	2 1/2	2.57	2.89	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.89
12/11/43	Terry, Joseph N.	"	200.00	33.81	2 1/2	6.10	34.91	2 1/2	6.10	5.00	34.91
10/18/43	Trow, Etta F.	"	100.00	3.74	2 1/2	2.60	3.84	2 1/2	2.60	2.50	3.84
9/ 2/36	Whitcomb, Parker S.	"	100.00	4.09	2 1/2	2.63	4.22	2 1/2	2.63	2.50	4.22
4/15/22	Miller, William H.	"	200.00	15.65	2 1/2	5.49	16.14	2 1/2	5.49	5.00	16.14
4/27/29	Moon, Emily R.	"	100.00	2.75	2 1/2	2.57	2.82	2 1/2	2.57	2.50	2.82
9/19/32	Morse, Charles H.	"	50.00	1.62	2 1/2	1.29	1.66	2 1/2	1.29	1.25	1.66
2/13/15	Morse, Lottie A.	"	150.00	10.66	2 1/2	4.08	9.74	2 1/2	4.08	5.00	9.74
3/14/32	Hoyt, George A.	"	50.00	1.87	2 1/2	1.29	1.91	2 1/2	1.29	1.25	1.91
6/22/42	Marshall, Joshua P.	"	100.00	1.50	2 1/2	1.54	1.54	2 1/2	1.54	2.50	1.54
11/23/26	Peaslee, Maria R.	"	50.00	2.39	2 1/2	1.32	2.46	2 1/2	1.32	1.25	2.46
4/20/23	Rand & Woods	"	100.00	1.14	2 1/2	2.54	1.18	2 1/2	2.54	2.50	1.18
5/ 1/26	Rowe, Eliza	"	100.00	1.54	2 1/2	2.54	1.58	2 1/2	2.54	2.50	1.58
8/ 9/15	Walton, Betsey B.	"	100.00	10.24	2 1/2	2.83	8.07	2 1/2	2.83	5.00	8.07

10/22/21	Hall, Almira	U. S. Bond D2 838 072 G	200.00	59.73	2½	6.94	5.00	61.67
10/14/10	Ingalls, Abbie	"	100.00	12.67	2½	2.89	5.00	10.56
4/27/18	Martin, Mary T.	"	100.00	1.54	2½	2.54	2.50	1.58
1/5/05	Martin, Sarah J.	"	100.00	9.64	2½	2.80	2.50	9.94
11/12/47	Clogston, Fred N.	U. S. Bond C4 777 132 G	100.00	1.63	2½	2.53	2.50	1.66
12/5/46	Melvin, Edison R.	U. S. Bond C4 777 130 G	50.00	1.93	2½	1.28	2.50	.71
5/25/42	Ring, Obediah E.	" & SRSB	75.00	4.16	2½	2.20	2.00	4.36
8/27/19	Ward, Edwin D.	U. S. Bond C4 777 131 G	100.00	2.21	2½	2.57	2.50	2.28
6/17/47	Colby, Fred A. & Minnie G.	U. S. Bonds C4 605 990-1 G	200.00	2.83	2½	5.06	5.00	2.89
1/9/09	Farrington, Ann Maria (transferred \$5 from ind. to princ)	U. S. Bond C4 990 153 G & SRSB	100.00	8.32	3	3.00	2.50	3.82
4/5/29	Hadley, Sophronia A.	"	75.00	3.00	2½	2.16	2.00	3.16
11/22/55	Bailey, Anna P. (New)	Merr. Co. Savings Bank	500.00	---	3	---	---	---
3/24/54	Baker, Etta B.	"	150.00	---	3	3.38	3.00	.38
1/5/45	Bly, Willis N.	"	150.00	6.31	3	4.79	4.00	7.10
7/12/54	Bradbury, Emily (Flowers)	"	100.00	---	3	1.25	---	1.25
9/24/53	Cheney, Addie A.	"	100.00	---	3	3.00	2.50	.50
4/26/55	Cheney, Walter A. (New)	"	200.00	---	3	---	---	---
7/8/47	Forsberg, Andrew G.	"	100.00	2.42	3	3.11	3.00	2.53
11/16/29	Gillingham, Elinda M.	"	100.00	3.07	3	3.14	3.00	3.21
1/11/27	Gillingham, Freeman H.	"	100.00	.27	3	3.08	3.00	.35
8/30/34	Johnson, Alvin	"	75.00	2.66	3	2.36	2.50	2.52
4/22/30	Jordan, Lucy A.	"	100.00	3.70	3	3.17	3.00	3.87
4/17/54	Keyser, Louie J.	"	150.00	---	3	3.00	3.00	---
1/5/22	Martin, Sarah Paige	"	200.00	5.57	3	6.32	6.00	5.89
9/6/30	Melvin, Helen S.	"	100.00	3.82	3	3.17	3.00	3.99
8/23/34	Newman, Charles M.	"	50.00	1.90	3	1.59	1.50	1.99
2/5/31	Noyes, William	"	100.00	2.84	3	3.14	3.00	2.98
9/20/26	Pierce, Harriet	"	75.00	2.37	3	2.36	2.00	2.73
11/5/30	Studley, Dr. Harvey	"	100.00	4.26	3	3.17	3.00	4.43
6/8/55	Sutherland, Col. S. J. (New)	"	90.00	---	3	---	---	---
11/19/48	Trow, Wilhe S.	"	200.00	1.39	3	6.17	6.00	1.56
5/25/51	Wood, Kate E. B.	"	150.00	7.33	3	4.74	5.00	7.07
11/7/23	Woods, George A.	"	200.00	4.97	3	6.26	5.00	6.23

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS		How Funds are Invested	Amount of Principal	Balance of Income on hand at beginning of Year	Rate of Interest	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on hand at end of Year
	Purpose of Creation	Name of Fund							
6/ 1/49	Bradford Pond Church Trust		<i>Principal held by Mech. Bank</i>	500.00	263.23		50.35	50.00	263.58
1/31/41	Redington, Ida M.			285.00	148.79		30.92	10.00	169.71
11/ 5/42	Bradford Pond Meetinghouse		11 shrs. Merr. Farm. Exchange	275.00	54.89	4	12.71	25.00	42.60
10/27/37	Ward, Ralph & Colby, Lloyd	4 "	" "	100.00	18.48	4	4.59	5.00	18.07
11/29/29	French, John E. (<i>Park Fund</i>)		Sugar River Savings Bank	1,000.00	---	3	32.76	32.76	---
11/20/07	Hall, Mary C. (<i>Library Fund</i>)		S.R.S.B. (<i>from princ. \$40.99</i>)	234.23	---	3	9.01	9.01	---
1/31/44	Johnson, Effie S. (<i>Library Fund</i>)		Sugar River Savings Bank	50.00	16.10	3	2.16	---	18.26
12/21/51	Trow, Carrie C. & Willie S. (SP)		" "	8,000.00	610.44	3	282.08	97.04	795.48
5/16/47	Trow, Emma I.		" "	100.00	4.46	3	3.42	3.00	4.88
12/16/52	Gray, Emily L.		N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	3.00	3	6.05	6.00	3.05
12/16/52	Rolfe, Marjorie H.		" "	100.00	---	3	3.00	3.00	---
12/16/52	Stanleys, H. E.		" "	100.00	1.50	3	3.02	3.02	1.50
Totals				\$29,391.97	\$2,220.36		\$925.41	\$914.77	\$2,231.00

All funds are Cemetery Funds unless otherwise specified.

Interest of all funds in U. S. Bonds is held in original Savings Bank accounts.

BROWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Trustees of the Brown Memorial Library have had a very successful year for 1955. Mrs. Effie Craigie, Librarian, reports a total circulation for the year of 7,734 books and magazines, of which 1,432 were for children. 1,788 were non-fiction.

During the year the library has received gifts of new and used books. Also received was a gift of classic records donated by Mr. John Sherman. The Trustees are very appreciative of all gifts received and take this opportunity to thank the donors.

The Trustees voted that money received from fees, rental of records and non-resident cards be used to purchase new books.

Received from fees	\$66.14
Paid out: books	\$50.05
misc.	12.91
	62.96
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1955	\$ 3.18

The Children's Corner is very attractive and the Trustees hope that the parents will encourage their children to use it. During the past summer a Story Hour was tried on Saturday afternoons but due to lack of interest it was discontinued.

LOUISE B. WOLFE	} Trustees
AMY K. MILNER	
ELIZABETH M. LARIVEE	

1955 Book Donors

Mrs. John Brackett	Mrs. Laura Sanborn
Mr. Rupert Corri	Mrs. Henry Seton
Mrs. Grace Dalby	Mr. John Sherman
Mrs. Wilmer Elliott	Miss Mabelle Steele
Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Evans	Mrs. Grace Trow
Mrs. E. M. Keays	Mrs. Louise Wolfe
Miss Maude Marshall	Mr. Maurice Youmans
Mrs. Amy Milner	

BROWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Treasurer's Report
1955

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1955	\$370.12	
Received from Town	972.00	
Mary C. Hall Fund (<i>Trust</i>)	50.00	
Marietta Huntoon Fund, interest (<i>Trust</i>)	75.00	\$1,467.12

Expenditures

Salaries	\$416.48	
Social Security	17.00	
Insurance	10.00	
Fuel	230.98	
Books	236.14	
Magazines	53.78	
Children's Corner	116.34	
Lights	38.50	
Library Improvements	95.47	
Supplies	18.40	
Service Charge	8.80	\$1,241.89
Balance on hand, December 31, 1955		\$225.23

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE B. WOLFE
Treasurer

AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the Auditors of the Town of Bradford, have examined the books of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Road Agent, Library Trustees, and the Trustees of the Trust Funds, for the year ending December 31, 1955, compared their figures and vouchers and find the same correct.

LEON F. PERKINS
BEACHLEY WOLFE
Town Auditors

Bradford Central School



Classrooms

and



Lunchroom

BRADFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICERS

Moderator

Paul N. Gove

Clerk and Treasurer

Lillian S. Frey

School Board

Florence V. Jones '56

Howard G. Tilton '57

Robert A. Moore '58

Superintendent of Schools

William C. Sterling

Auditor

Daniel V. Cunningham

School Nurse

Ruth Whitcomb, R. N.

SCHOOL WARRANT**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Bradford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 9th day of March 1956, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Bradford this 14th day of February 1956.

FLORENCE V. JONES

ROBERT A. MOORE

School Board

A true copy of Warrant: - Attest:

FLORENCE V. JONES

ROBERT A. MOORE

School Board

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRADFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1956-1957

EXPENDITURES - ITEM	1	2	3	4
	Actual Expenditures 1954-55	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Actual Expenditures July 1 to Dec. 31, 1955	School Board's Budget 1956-57
Administration				
Salaries of District Officers	\$350.00	\$352.00	\$350.00	\$352.50
Superintendent's salary (local share)	363.50	389.20	389.20	377.60
Tax for state wide supervision	220.00	206.00	206.00	204.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	225.35	235.41	225.41	206.50
Supplies and expenses	212.34	209.82	135.31	194.91
Instruction				
Elementary teachers' and principal's salaries	8,975.00	9,500.00	3,132.94	9,700.00
Books and other instruction aids, elementary	156.50	250.00	92.71	250.00
Scholars' supplies, elementary	385.76	500.00	502.03	500.00
Supplies and other expenses, elementary	107.36	125.00	128.54	125.00
Operation of School Plant				
Salaries of custodians, elementary	500.00	500.00	231.10	600.00
Fuel or heat, elementary	907.15	825.00	304.88	825.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses, elementary	315.55	300.00	183.79	300.00
Maintenance of School Plant				
Repairs and replacements elementary	646.46	400.00	199.96	400.00
Auxiliary Activities				
Health Supervision, elementary	435.00	445.00	335.00	445.00
Transportation, high	1,487.50	1,500.00	620.50	1,500.00
Transportation, elementary	2,940.00	3,300.00	1,282.26	3,300.00

Tuition, high
 Special activities and special funds, elementary
 School lunch and special milk, elementary (*Federal & Dist. funds*)

5, 426.82
 84.05
 365.97

7, 700.00
 50.00
 450.00

3, 712.50

3, 700.00
 50.00
 450.00

Fixed Charges

Retirement, elementary
 Insurance, treasurer bonds and expenses, elementary

664.49
 200.80

700.00
 217.00

263.71
 183.40

700.00
 217.00

Contingency Fund

300.00

300.00

TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES

\$24, 969.60 \$28, 454.93 \$12, 545.93 \$29, 697.51

Capitol Outlay

Additions and improvements, elementary
 New equipment, elementary

474.00
 196.98

100.00

99.00

100.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES OR SCHOOL APPRO.

\$25, 640.58 \$28, 554.93 \$12, 644.93 \$29, 797.51

RECEIPTS - ITEM

1 Actual Receipts 1954-55	2 Adopted Budget 1955-56	3 Actual Receipts July 1 to Dec. 31, 1955	4 School Board's Budget 1956-57
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Balance (actual or estimated)
 Federal Aid (Hot Lunch)
 Elementary tuition

\$1, 239.76
 365.97
 100.00

450.00

\$632.00
 46.39
 100.00

450.00

Total Receipts other than property taxes

\$1, 705.73

\$450.00

\$778.99

\$450.00

District Assessment raised or to be
 Raised by Property taxes

\$24, 536.49

\$28, 104.93

\$11, 092.69

\$29, 347.51

TOTAL APPRO. VOTED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT

\$26, 242.22

\$11, 871.68

\$29, 797.51

\$29, 797.51

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER**Receipts**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1954	\$1,239.76	
Current Appropriation	24,536.49	
School Lunch and Milk Program		
(Federal Funds)	364.97	
James Volkmar - Tuition		
(Katherine Louise Volkmar)	100.00	
Total Receipts		<u>\$26,241.22</u>

Expenditures

Orders of School Board	<u>25,640.58</u>
Balance on Hand June 30, 1955	\$ 601.64

LILLIAN S. FREY
School Treasurer

July 22, 1955
Examined and found correct.

DANIEL V. CUNNINGHAM
Auditor

STATEMENT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Expenditures

Salaries of District Officers	\$350.00	
Superintendent's Salary (<i>Towns share</i>)	363.50	
Tax for Statewide Supervision	220.00	
Salaries of other Admin. personnel	225.35	
Supplies and Expenses	212.34	
Teachers' Salaries	8,975.00	
Books, and other instructional aids	156.50	
Scholars' Supplies	385.76	
Supplies and other expenses	107.36	
Salary of Custodian	500.00	
Fuel or Heat	907.15	
Water, Lights, supplies and expenses	315.55	
Repairs and Replacements	646.46	
Health Supervision	435.00	
Transportation	4,427.50	
Tuition	5,426.82	
Special Activities	450.02	
Retirement	664.49	
Insurance and Treasurer's Bond	200.80	
Additions and Improvements	474.00	
New Equipment	196.98	\$25,640.58

Detailed Statement of Payments

Salaries of District Officers:		
Florence V. Jones	\$100.00	
Howard Tilton	100.00	
Robert A. Moore	100.00	
Lillian S. Frey	50.00	\$350.00
Superintendent's Salary (Dist. Share)		363.50
Tax for Statewide Supervision		220.00
Salaries of other Administrative personnel:		
Supt. Secretary (Dist. share)	197.85	
Grace Trow	25.00	
Paul Gove	2.50	225.35
Supplies and Expenses		212.34
Teachers' Salaries:		
Vernice Dwinnells	2,870.00	

Clarence B. Wadleigh, Jr.	2,800.00	
Evelyn T. Norton	2,750.00	
Margaret Bochart	105.00	
Blanche Bailey	450.00	\$8,975.00
Books and other instructional aids		156.50
Scholars' Supplies		385.76
Supplies and other expenses		107.36
Custodian's Salary		500.00
Fuel and Heat:		
C. A. Danforth & Co.	881.45	
Moore & Emerson	25.70	907.15
Water, Lights, Supplies and Expenses		315.55
Repairs and Replacements:		
Charles A. Sanborn	143.00	
Howard A. Milner	291.74	
Lorden Lumber Co.	1.60	
General Electric Supply	8.50	
R. A. Moore	10.00	
Gledhill Bros. Inc.	4.00	
J. L. Hammett Co.	102.82	
Sanel Auto Parts	4.48	
Milton Bradley Co.	8.85	
D. G. Cressy Co.	1.47	
Arthur E. Rowe	70.00	646.46
Health Supervision:		
Dr. Arthur F. Wright	100.00	
Ruth B. Whitcomb, R. N.	335.00	435.00
Transportation:		
Frank A. Wise (Elementary)	1,925.00	
Frank A. Wise (High)	1,487.50	
Elizabeth Bischoff	522.50	
Frances Ward	492.50	4,427.50
Tuition:		
Warner School District		5,426.82

Special Activities:		
Bradford Women's Club	365.97	
Cardigan Sports Store	60.10	
Clarence B. Wadleigh, Jr.	23.95	450.02
Retirement		664.49
Insurance and Treasurer's Bonds		200.80
Additions and Improvements		474.00
New Equipment:		
Bradford Radio & Television	192.50	
Sanel Auto Parts	4.48	196.98
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$25,640.58
Cash on hand (June 30, 1955)		601.64
TOTAL		\$26,242.22

FLORENCE V. JONES, *Chm.*
HOWARD TILTON
ROBERT A. MOORE
School Board

Superintendent's Salary
1954- 1955

Bradford School District	\$363.50	
Henniker School District	744.06	
Hopkinton School District	1,043.85	
Newbury School District	311.59	
Sutton School District	297.25	
Warner School District	702.15	
Webster School District	212.60	\$3,675.00
State Share		2,500.00
Total		\$6,175.00

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Board of Bradford District:

During the year 1954-1955 the following teachers were employed:

TEACHER	GRADES	TRAINING	YR. GRAD.
Mr. Clarence B. Wadleigh, Jr., <i>Grades 6-7-8</i>		U. N. H.	1954
Mrs. Evelyn T. Norton, <i>Grades 3-4-5</i>		K. N. S.	1924
Mrs. Vernice H. Dwinells, <i>Grades 1-2</i>		K. N. S.	1927
Miss Blanche C. Bailey, <i>Music</i>		K. T. C.	1932

GENERAL STATISTICS

	Grs. 6-7-8	Grs. 3-4-5	Grs. 1-2	1954-55	1953-54
Half days in session	348	348	348	348	354
Half days not in session	12	12	12	12	6
Number pupils registered	27	32	20	79	84
Average membership	26.1	31.22	17.98	75.3	77.8
Percent attendance	87.3	94.68	93.5	92.1	91.1
Average number of tardiness per pupil	.7	.5	.83	.67	.5
Number visits Superintendent	30	20	18	68	48

23 pupils attended school at Simonds Free High School, Warner, N.H.

Graduates June 1955

Amos Doughty
Nancy Perkins
Paul Rehberg
David Rund

Elizabeth Sanborn
James Schneider
Sandra Tilton
Margaret Wise

Claire Wright

Perfect Attendance for One Year

Harmon Heath

Janet Wheeler

Millard Heath

We have had one change in the faculty at Bradford this year. Mr. Clarence Wadleigh, who was with us for two years, is now teaching in the armed forces education program in Europe. He was replaced by Mr. Homer Hamlin who is a graduate of New England College. Mr. Hamlin is doing graduate work at Keene Teachers' College where he is specializing in elementary education.

Our enrollment has continued to decrease slightly and the census figures indicate that we will have a fairly small enrollment in the next few years. This year, in order to make the teaching load more even, we have kept the third grade with the first and second grades. This means that each teacher has about twenty-three pupils. We should continue to shift the grades to get the best possible teaching results.

The decreasing enrollment means that Bradford should not suffer from the sharply rising costs that is causing considerable concern in other communities. There are towns that are forced with the extra cost of new construction in an inflated market, and adding more teachers to the staff which has an inflationary effect on the budget. Some towns have had their budgets jump 10% to 20% each year. The two items which have increased have been high school tuition and teachers' salaries.

Last year, new fluorescent lighting was installed in the upper grade room, and this fall, the same type of lighting was installed in the other two rooms. Thus, the school board has corrected a most serious defect in the graded school, and even on the darkest days the children have plenty of light.

Our children continue to do well in high school. This coming June, six pupils will be graduates from Simonds High School. Namely: Arlene Douglas, Albert Gerken, Linda Gove, Nancy Hammond, Varel Neil Peaslee and Wallace Brown.

I wish to thank the Parent-Teacher Association and the School Board for their fine cooperation. I have had many pleasant experiences in Bradford.

WILLIAM C. STERLING,
Superintendent of Schools

**ANNUAL SCHOOL HEALTH
SERVICE REPORT
1954-1955**

The School Health Department gives the following report :

Number of pupils examined	76
Number of teachers examined	3
Individual inspections	707
Classroom inspections	38
Home visits	33
First aid	9

	<i>Defects</i>	<i>Corrections</i>
Teeth	27	38
Tonsils	2	1
Wax in ears	6	2
Skin	1	
Vision	4	2

Special Work:

Special cases	6
Pre-school clinic	7
Polio vaccine	14
Immunization clinic	15
Child conferences	15

Communicable Diseases:

Chicken pox	1
Measles	13
Whooping Cough	1
Mumps	1

DR. ARTHUR WRIGHT, *School Physician*

RUTH B. WHITCOMB, R. N., *School Nurse*

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Child Health Conferences:

Number held	1
Total attendance	15

Immunization Clinics:

Number held	3
Total attendance	45

Polio Clinics:

No. of children receiving 2 shots	13
No. receiving 1 shot	5

GERTRUDE J. SNOW

Public Health Nurse

Bureau of Public Health Nursing

N. H. State Department of Health

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride and Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age	Place of Birth and Occupation of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Persons by whom married
Jan. 30, 1955 Goffstown, N.H.	Carl George Ingalls, Jr. Bradford, N. H. Mary Elvira Nelson Weare, N.H.	18 19	Bradford N. H. hanger Grasmere, N.H. buffer	Carl G. Ingalls Mabel Dyer Stanley R. Nelson Doris L. Chase	Verne A. Stighter Minister Grasmere, N.H.
April 17, 1955 Bradford, N.H.	Charles Richard Allen Warner, N.H. Mildred Carolyn Ayer Bradford, N.H.	21 21	Concord, N.H. laborer Newport, N.H. secretary	Charles L. Allen Beatrice E. Little Alfred D. Ayer Elsie M. Gove	Rev Norman L. Armstrong Minister Bradford, N.H.
June 4, 1955 Lebanon, Me.	Kenneth Forrest Jones Concord, N.H. Florence Gertrude Nutter Bradford, N.H.	34 41	Barre, Vt. truck driver Wolfeboro, N.H. store clerk	Clayton Jones Barbara Cordina Fred C. Valley Mildred Nichols	Gordon A. Bourne Clergyman Lebanon, Me.
June 19, 1955 Bradford, N.H.	Luther Eugene Sweet Bradford, N.H. Mildred Carrie Nutter Bradford, N.H.	22 20	Tarrytown N.Y. student Concord, N.H. student	Byron L. Sweet Grace Tilley Clayton J. Nutter Florence G. Valley	Rev. Norman L. Armstrong Minister Bradford, N.H.

July 18, 1955 Bradford, N.H.	Herman VanLunen Jersey City, N.J. Naomi Faith Carr College Pt., N.Y.	22 21	Massachusetts U. S. Navy New Hampshire at home	Herman VanLunen Anne DeMol Ai Carr Eleanora Lowell	Rev. Norman L. Armstrong Minister Bradford, N.H.
Sept. 4, 1955 Bradford, N.H.	Stuart Edward Milner Bradford, N.H. Anna Caroline Lazowsky Bradford, N.H.	27 28	Concord, N.H. mechanic Philadelphia, Pa. housewife	Carl F. Milner May Shirley John Borek Caroline Dubiel	Rev. Norman L. Armstrong Minister Bradford, N.H.
Sept. 10, 1955 Keene, H.H.	Walter Eastman Steere Bradford, N.H. Anastasia Mathilda Culbertson Keene, N.H.	25 22	Jamaica Plain, Mass. teacher Walpole, N.H. secretary	Walter E. Steere Ruth E. Newman Hugh Culbertson Olga Schrepta	J. Edison Pike Clergyman Keene, N.H.
Nov. 5, 1955 Bradford, N.H.	Charles Glendon MacCreighton New London, N.H. Cynthia Ann Rutherford Bradford, N.H.	24 18	Scotland plumbing New Hampshire none	Charles MacCreighton Florence L. Kimball Melvin G. Whitehouse Marjorie A. Parsons	Rev. Norman L. Armstrong Minister Bradford, N.H.

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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, N. H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date and Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth and Occupation	Sex	Cond.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 5, 1955 Bradford, N. H.	Clarence Frey	45	Long Island, N. Y. paper mill	M	M	Christopher Frey	Samantha Pearsall
Jan. 11, 1955 Bradford, N. H.	Albert B. Kellar	60	Dorchester, Mass. auto accessories	M	M	Thomas Kellar	Caroline Quinn
Feb. 9, 1955 Brentwood, N. H.	Frank Wyman	85	Bradford, N. H. laborer	M	S	Charles Wyman	Janet Cheney
March 23, 1955 Bradford, N. H.	Mary Frances Davis	85	Plainfield, N. H. housewife	F	M	Steven Woodward	Jane Hadley
April 5, 1955 New London, N. H.	Ann Smyth Flanders	84	Hillsboro, N. H. homemaker	F	M	Joseph Smyth	Mary E. Tansy
May 1, 1955 Concord, N. H.	Stella M. Sargent	78	Concord, N. H.	F	S	Edwin Sargent	Mary Colby
May 1, 1955 Bradford, N. H.	Maria J. Ansart	68	Wolfeboro, N. H. homemaker	F	M	John Perry	Unknown
May 28, 1955 Concord, N. H.	Laura Felton	56	Beverly, Mass. housewife	F	M	Enstace Porter	Bertha Iles
June 19, 1955 Montclair, N. J.	Gertrude L. Eaton	80	housewife	F	M		

June 23, 1955 Bradford, N. H.	Anna P. Bailey	86	Manchester, N. H. housewife	F	W	John H. Proctor	Almira Dolloff
June 27, 1955 Lebanon, N. H.	Harry H. Hall	67	Chester, Vt. salesman	M	M	Herbert Hall	Alice Reed
Aug. 22, 1955 Bradford, N. H.	Harry M. Fuller	86	Nova Scotia farmer	M	M	Morris Fuller	Catherine Hill
Sept. 9, 1955 Bloomfield, N. J.	Leland Leslie Eaton	85	retired	M	W		
Sept. 17, 1955 Bradford, N. H.	Augusta Hawley	83	Boston, Mass. at home	F	S	William H. Hawley	Bessie Pope
Oct. 5, 1955 Bellows Falls, Vt.	Clarence J. McIlvaine	80		M	M		
Oct. 14, 1955 Medford, Mass.	Anna Wunderlich	61		F			
Nov. 12, 1955 Benton, N. H.	Cordelia B. Starkweather	50	Canada housewife	F	M	Joseph Brien	Cordelia Fugere
Dec. 10, 1955 Bradford, N. H.	Fred B. Hall	75	Bradford, N. H. section man	M	M	Jeremiah Hall	Julia Gibson

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BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BRADFORD, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of the Child (if any)	Sex	No.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Feb. 16, 1955	New London, N. H.	Carol Ann Messer	F	3	Robert A. Messer	Vivian A. Woodman
Feb. 19, 1955	New London, N. H.	Harold Elton Heselton	M	1	Harry E. Heselton	Marlene E. Bushway
April 6, 1955	New London, N. H.	Mary Louise Royal	F	2	Albert F. Royal	Alyne V. Sylvester
Sept. 19, 1955	Concord, N. H.	Amos Edward Shattuck	M	4	George Shattuck, Jr.	Madeline N. Judge
Oct. 26, 1955	New London, N. H.	Connie Marie Heath	F	3	Reginald O. Heath	Jean E. Howard
Nov. 2, 1955	New London, N. H.	Harlan Herbert Fortune	M	3	John A. Fortune, Jr.	Marion E. Calkins
Nov. 6, 1955	Goffstown, N. H.	Carl George Ingalls III	M	1	Carl G. Ingalls, Jr.	Mary E. Nelson
Nov. 14, 1955	Concord, N. H.	Pamela Rita Ward	F	2	John E. Ward, Jr.	Frances L. Barstow

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